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## **Pebble Update**

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### **A Sustainable Future**

As part of its commitment toward economic stability, the Pebble Partnership established the Pebble Fund in 2008 to provide a mechanism for promoting and helping to build sustainable and healthy communities and renewable resources in the region.

Since its debut, the Pebble Fund has distributed more than \$4 million in funds supporting sustainable development project in southwest Alaska. The Pebble Fund has also helped leverage more than \$13.5 million in matching and in-kind support.

Grants are reviewed and awarded twice annually in the spring and fall. Four primary project categories are the focus of Pebble Fund grants: energy, education, community and economic development and renewable resources.

Link to the [Pebble Fund grant guidelines](#) or a complete list of [Pebble](#)



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### **Spring Pebble Fund Distributes \$500,000 In Grants**

With a goal of helping to develop sustainable communities in Southwest Alaska, the Pebble Fund recently awarded 17 nonprofit organizations, schools and villages more than \$500,000 in grant funding as part of its spring cycle.

[Fund grants to date.](#)

Established by the Pebble Partnership as a \$5 million, five year commitment, the Pebble Fund is managed by the Alaska Community Foundations. The Pebble Fund has supported a wide range of community projects throughout the years including upgrades to Dillingham schools, development of the Togiak Public Library and facilities for the Bristol Bay Elders Action Group food bank benefitting the communities of Naknek, King Salmon and South Naknek .

Read about the [2012 spring grant recipient programs.](#)



### Fall Pebble Fund Grant Cycle

*Pebble Fund grant applications are reviewed twice per year by an independent advisory board of representatives from Bristol Bay. [Link to a Powerpoint for guidelines and tips.](#)*

*The Pebble Fund supports a wide range of projects throughout southwest Alaska. In 2011, the Pebble Fund supported the development of a Renewable Energy Greenhouse, powered by wind turbines, in Igiugig. Grants associated with the Pebble Fund focus on four primary categories: energy, education, community and economic development and renewable resources.*

*The next cycle of grants will be reviewed and awarded in September 2012. Grant application for the fall cycle are due electronically by September 1, 2012. [Link to the webinar slides](#), the [online tutorial](#) or the [evaluation criteria](#) .*



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